



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : James R. Kittrell
Serial No. : 09/684,173
Filed : October 6, 2000
TC/A.U. : 1711
Confirmation No: 3692
Examiner : T. T. Tran

Docket No. : 00-625
Customer No. : 34704

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In the above-identified application for United States patent,
please amend as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 3 of this paper.